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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## State Route 35 in Rural San Mateo County Opens to One-Way Traffic Control

Emergency repairs bolster road after damage from sinkhole

**SAN MATEO COUNTY**— Caltrans has opened San Mateo State Route 35 between State Route 9 and Page Mill Road to one-way traffic control as of 4:00 PM, March 18, 2019, after work crews completed emergency repairs that stabilized one lane of the two-

lane highway that passes through the northern edge of the Santa Cruz Mountains.

The road has been closed since February 3, 2019, when, after days of heavy rain, a sinkhole developed in the pavement, eventually growing into a slide that destroyed a 200-foot section of the northbound lane and part of the southbound lane.

Caltrans activated an emergency contract with Golden Gate Construction, who arrived on site the day after the sinkhole appeared. Workers began driving sheet piles, interlocking them to form an underground retaining wall that now supports the southbound lane. Traffic signals were trucked to the site and installed at each end of the slide for one-way traffic control.

Work was slowed by frequent wet weather



Sheet piles driven to form a subsurface retaining wall





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Eventually, during last week's dry spell, the ground was stable enough to widen and pave the road, the last order of work before the opening the road.

A permanent repair, one that would restore two lanes of traffic, is currently being designed.

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